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House of Representatives

The House met at 4 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DOOLITTLE).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
July 29, 2003.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JOHN T. DOOLITTLE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

Lord God, the work of Congress is a human endeavor, like the work of any farmer, salesperson, or artisan. As a human work, it suffers from human limitations; but it is also the embodiment of the greatness of human expression.

Because the work of Congress is the work of a group of people, it takes on a broader dimension and entails the efforts of dialogue and debate, as well as compromise and consensus.

Because the work of Congress, Lord, is also the work of government in this great democracy, it reflects the will of the people and needs the compliance and acceptance of the people of this Nation. Then the work of Congress guides, structures, and empowers the workforce of the Nation.

As Congress prepares for summer break, we ask You, Lord God, to bless all the work of this session of the 108th Congress of the United States of America. We also ask You to bless all the workers who have labored on this legislation here on Capitol Hill.

May this work become a blessing for this Nation; and may the Members of

Congress and all who assist them in their efforts be rewarded for serving You by serving this Nation. All has been undertaken in Your holy name. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Monahan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 481. An act to amend chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that certain Federal annuity computations are adjusted by 1 percentage point relating to periods of receiving disability payments, and for other purposes.

CONDITIONAL ADJOURNMENT TO FRIDAY, AUGUST 1, 2002

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, when the House adjourns today it shall adjourn to meet at 4 p.m. on Friday, August 1, 2003, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting an amendment to House Concurrent Resolution 259 in the

form that is now at the desk, which the Clerk presently shall report, in which case the House shall be considered to have concurred in such Senate amendment and to have adjourned pursuant to such concurrent resolution, as amended.

The Clerk will report the form of the amendment.

The Clerk read as follows:

Amendment to H. Con. Res. 259:

Strike "when the House adjourns on the legislative day of Friday, July 25, 2003, or Saturday, July 26, 2003, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee," and insert: "when the House adjourns on the legislative day of Tuesday, July 29, 2003,"

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, that shall be the order.

There was no objection.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 481. An act to amend chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that certain Federal annuity computations are adjusted by 1 percentage point relating to periods of receiving disability payments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned pursuant to that order.

There was no objection.

Thereupon (at 4 o'clock and 5 minutes p.m.), pursuant to the previous order of the House of today, the House adjourned until 4 p.m., Friday, August 1, 2003, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its adoption of House Concurrent Resolution 259, as amended in conformity with that previous order.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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